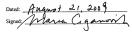
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Sir:

In view of Dayco Products Inc. v. Total Containment Inc., 66 USPQ2d 1801 (Fed. Cir. 2003) and McKesson Information Solutions Inc. v. Bridge Medical Inc., 82 USPQ2d 1865 (Fed. Cir. 2007) and in satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and as required by M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b), Applicants note that the present application is related to the following pending patent applications:

11/982,444, 11/657,441, 12/496,595, 10/411,026, 11/652,467, 11/656,643, 11/645,839, 11/644,014, 10/411,044, 12/101,389, 11/714,874, 11/584,743, 10/530,972, 11/701,949, 10/556,094, 10/549,528, 10/565,331, 10/549,445, 10/585,385, 11/843,588, 11/144,223, 10/579,621, 11/981,483, 11/982,273, 10/576,506, 12/184,956, 11/166,404, 10/579,620, 11/794,560, 10/581,538, 11/794,555, 11/792,610, 11/632,005, 11/659,942, 11/665,908, 12/092,563, 11/396,215, 11/440,839, 11/914,104, 11/402,105, 11/910,958, 11/915,239, 11/580,669, 12/064,012, 12/152,587, 11/781,885, 11/781,888, 11/781,896,

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The Examiner is encouraged to review the art made of record, any Office Action, and any Notice of Allowance in the above-mentioned related application. Applicants assume that due to the ease of review on PAIR by the Examiner, Applicant need not submit copies of the individual Office Actions and/or Notices of Allowance. Applicants assume that the Examiner is aware that prosecution is ongoing in the above-referenced case, and that the Examiner will continue to evaluate this case as needed.

However, further in view of Larson Mfg. Co. v. Aluminart Products Ltd. No. 2008-1096, -1174(Fed. Cir. March 18, 2009), courtesy copies of the Office Actions received by applicants and/or their representatives as of the date of submission of this document in the abovementioned copending applications and other related applications are attached.

Applicant believes that <u>no fee is required</u> for submission of this statement. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0310. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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